

24 March 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: National Archives and Records Service Archivist

1. During the past several years, [] has had several conversations with officers of the National Archives and Records Service, including Dr. Rhoads and Dr. Campbell the Archivist and Deputy Archivist of the United States respectively. Dr. Rhoads has indicated keen interest in providing the CIA with a suitable candidate to perform the CIA Archivist function. He has indicated flexibility as to the manner in which the individual nominated would actually be assigned, i.e., reimbursable detail, or reassignment to CIA.

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2. One individual whose name has been mentioned is [] a GS-14 archivist who apparently is on the threshold of being promoted to GS-15. To the best of our knowledge no one has spoken to [] with regard to possible appointment as a CIA Archivist. It follows then that we do not know whether [] would entertain a detail, reassignment as a staff employee of this Agency, or appointment as a contract employee. Dr. Rhoads made clear to [] that he is not anxious to lose [] and that he would welcome [] back even if [] were appointed CIA Archivist.

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3. Among other possibilities mentioned to [] was that perhaps either of two retired former NARS archivists might be receptive to short term (perhaps six months) contract employment for CIA to initiate a formal archives program. These individuals are [] Neither of these gentlemen have been approached by us regarding this possibility.

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Acting Chief, Support Services Staff

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